Washington, DC – Today, Congressman Bruce Braley (IA-01) joined a bipartisan effort to avoid a government shutdown. After voting to support a temporary spending bill that incorporates cuts from both parties, Rep. Braley released the following statement:

"These are tough times and this measure includes some tough cuts," said Rep. Braley. "But without this bill, we would be facing a government shutdown at the end of this week. I promised to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to avoid a shutdown, and this is the first step. This measure is temporary – but it's essential to ensure that our veterans don't get denied care, that seniors continue to receive their Social Security checks and that crucial programs all over lowa and the country are not disrupted by a shutdown."